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EXAMINER'S REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: None of the prior art of record discloses a lithographic apparatus, positioning system and a device manufacturing method comprising first and second optical elements wherein the optical elements include a rigid extension carrying a beam directing element for the interferometer beam in combination with the rest of the limitations in claims 1, 10 or 11.

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